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Loudon Elementary's Larry Hewey Named Facilities Staff Recycler of the Year at NRRA Conference

EPSOM, NH – New Hampshire the Beautiful, Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) and NRRA's School Recycling CLUB recognized Custodian Larry Hewey of Loudon Elementary School in Loudon, NH as the Facilities Staff Recycler of the Year. The award was presented at the 10th Annual School Recycling Conference Awards Luncheon on May 21, 2019 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Downtown Hotel in Manchester, NH.

No school can maintain a sustainable recycling program without the help of their maintenance and custodial staff. At Loudon Elementary, that person is "Mr. Larry." According to Brandon Raymond, a teacher at LES, Mr. Larry has shouldered much of the responsibility for their new recycling program.

Since hosting an NRRA Trash On the Lawn Day last November, Mr. Larry has taken it upon himself to help every student at LES to learn the rules by directing them to the proper recycling bins during lunch hours and by answering their recycling questions with patience and enthusiasm.

Mr. Larry was the one who picked up the school's NH the Beautiful bins at NRRA (after his work hours) and helped disperse them to all the classrooms. He looks for ways to increase the efficiency of the program – emphasizing the importance of having "everyone" on board by assisting both students and staff with their recycling. According to Brandon, "...he has taken all of this upon himself to make our school and world a better place."

"Once again, we have a Facilities staff person going above and beyond to make sure a new recycling program gets off to a great start," said Duncan Watson, NRRA Board President. "The sustainability of any recycling program depends on encouragement, education and repetition, and we are proud to recognize Mr. Larry's contribution to the Loudon Elementary recycling program."

A total of nine awards were given out. For nomination details on each recipient, visit The School Recycling CLUB website www.schoolrecycling.net and click on the [2019 Conference Awards](#) tab, or visit our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/school.recycling>

About NRRA's School Recycling CLUB

The School Recycling CLUB (The CLUB) is a non-profit group that assists K-12 schools in implementing, maintaining and improving recycling programs. The CLUB is managed by NRRA. CLUB membership offers school groups a chance to join a program that will help them promote or advance their efforts, network with other school groups, and stimulate school recycling, reducing waste and saving energy. To learn more, visit www.schoolrecycling.net

About New Hampshire the Beautiful

New Hampshire the Beautiful (NHtB) is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) Charitable Trust supported by members of the NH Soft Drink Association, the Beverage Distributors of New Hampshire Association and the New Hampshire

Grocers Association. This collaborative effort by food and beverage companies has developed comprehensive programs to address, litter issues, recycling challenges, environmental awareness and education. To learn more, visit www.nhthebeautiful.org

About Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA)

Since 1981, NRRRA has acted a clearinghouse for current, up-to-date information and a source of technical and marketing assistance in the general areas of waste reduction and recycling. NRRRA is a member driven organization made up of over 400 municipalities, individuals, and businesses in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Southern Maine. NRRRA is a non-profit 501(c) organization.



Loudon Elementary Custodian Larry Hewey accepts the Facilities Staff Recycler of the Year Award from NH the Beautiful Board Members Larry Melanson (left) and John Dumais (right) on May 21, 2019 in Manchester, NH.